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S. RES. 143

To authorize the Senate Legal Counsel to appear in legal proceedings in the name of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in connection with its investigation into the United Nations' "Oil-For-Food" Programme

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 16, 2005

Mr. Frist (for himself and Mr. Reid) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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Whereas, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations is conducting an inquiry into the United Nations' "Oil-For-Food" Programme;

Whereas, the Subcommittee has need to obtain access to evidence from an individual formerly associated with the Independent Inquiry Committee, a committee formed by the United Nations to investigate claims relating to the Programme;

Whereas, in the course of the Subcommittee's efforts to obtain access to such evidence, legal issues may arise requiring the Subcommittee to appear in the courts of the United States;

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(c), 706(a), and 713(a) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. 288b(c), 288e(a), and 288l(a), the Senate may direct its Counsel to appear as amicus curiae or to intervene in the name of a subcommittee of the Senate in any legal action in which the powers and responsibilities of Congress under the Constitution are placed in issue: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the Senate Legal Counsel is author-
- 2 ized, when directed by the Permanent Subcommittee on
- 3 Investigations, or by the Chairman and Ranking Minority
- 4 Member, acting jointly, to appear in the name of the Sub-
- 5 committee as amicus curiae, intervenor, applicant or re-
- 6 spondent in *United Nations v. Robert Parton* or any re-
- 7 lated action or proceeding.

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